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JESSAMINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT

A public hearing was held at the administrative offices of the school district, located at 871 Wilmore Road, Nicholasville, on April 20, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. (local time). The purpose of the hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Jessamine County Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 11-0 in favor of the proposed new plan and the board voted 5-0 to approve the new plan.

There were four (4) individuals in attendance. Lu Young, Superintendent, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer when the designated hearing officer was absent at the start of the hearing. Those in attendance included Regina Sandberg, teacher at EJMS; John T. Slugantz, LPC member representing EJMS; and Pete Royse, central office representative.

Pete Royse, central office representative, called the public hearing to order and outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report.

The hearing officer read the proposed new District Facility Plan which includes: construction of a 900 student middle school; major renovation of existing middle school to become an Early Learning Center; construction of a new elementary school for 650 students; major renovations at Nicholasville Elementary School and West Jessamine High School; construction of non-educational additions at Providence Alternative School and Rosenwald Dunbar Elementary School; construction of management support areas to include addition to bus garage and a new building for district storage and offices; and seven discretionary projects.

The floor was opened for those who wished to make a statement. Ms. Sandberg (EJMS teacher) indicated her support for the plan, especially the new middle school, which she thought would improve learning for students by allowing faculty collaboration and sharing of facilities with East Jessamine High School.

It is recommended that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Jessamine County Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Jessamine County Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Jessamine County School District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Lu S. Young, Superintendent Hearing Officer Timothy K. Lucas, KDE Facilities Management